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TO AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: UPPER VOLTA ARMS REQUEST

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1. UPPER VOLTA AMBASSADOR YAGUIBOU CALLED ON UNDER SECRETARY FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE MAW AT HIS REQUEST ON MAR. 6  
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TO APPEAL OUR DECISION ON VOLTAN ARMS REQUEST CONVEYED TO

YAGUIBOU FEB. 25 (REFTEL).

2. YAGUIBOU ASKED IF OUR DECISION COULD BE RECONSIDERED OR WAS IRREVOCABLE. HE CLAIMED HEAT HAS GONE OUT OF DISPUTE AND ARMS ARE TO IMPROVE VOLTAN POSITION AT NEGOTIATING TABLE, NOT TO MAKE WAR.

3. MAW RESPONDED ALL DECISIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND THIS ONE WOULD BE KEPT UNDER CONTINUING REVIEW. SAID WE HAVE FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH BOTH MALI AND UPPER VOLTA AND VALUE THEM. WE WELCOME THE EFFORT (LOME COMMISSION) TO RECONCILE THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE ASKED WHAT PROGRESS IS BEING MADE.

4. YAGUIBOU REPLIED THAT CREATION OF COMMISSION IS GENERALLY AN "ELEGANT MEANS OF BURYING THE ISSUE" AND TALKS LIKELY BE VERY LENGTHY.

5. MAW REITERATED THAT WE DO NOT WISH DO ANYTHING WITH RESPECT TO EITHER SIDE WHICH COULD BE CONSTRUED AS INTERFERENCE IN LOCAL DISPUTE. IT IS OUR GENERAL POLICY TO STAND ASIDE UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, NOT TO EXACER- BATE THE SITUATION. IN THIS REGARD, WE HAD DECLINED TO GRANT REQUESTS FROM MALI FOR CERTAIN ITEMS.

6. COMMENT: YAGUIBOU EXPRESSED PLEASURE AT OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE DEMARCHE TO MAW AND APPEARED BOTH TO HAVE ANTICIPATED AND TO BE RESIGNED TO MAW'S REFUSAL TO REVERSE U.S. DENIAL. INGERSOLL

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